## I. AMENDMENT

Please make the following amendments:

## In the Specification:

Please insert the following paragraph on page 2, line 1:

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## In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace claims 1 and 8-13 with the following amended claims:

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(Amended) A method for reducing the number of metastases in an animal exhibiting a primary tumor comprising administering to said animal a subcytoprotective dose from 10 mg/kg to 150 mg/kg of a phosphorothioate or active metabolite thereof.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said phosphorothioate is an aminoalkylphosphorothioate compound.

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(Amended) The method claim 8, wherein said active derivative of aminoalkylphosphorothioate is the thiol form.

10. (Amended) The method claim 8, wherein said active derivative of aminoalkylphosphorothioate is the disulfide form.

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(Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said phosphorothioate or active metabolite thereof is selected from the group consisting of WR-2721 (amifostine), WR-1065, WR-638, WR-77913, WR-33278, WR-3689, WR-2822, WR-2529, WR-255591, WR-2823, WR-255709, WR/151326 and WR-151327.

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